

the purpose of participating in a youth corps program;

(n) A plan for ensuring that post-service education and training benefits are used solely for the purposes designated in this part;

(o) A description of any local advisory committee that includes youth and a broad representation from the community; and

(p) Such other information as the Commission may require.

**§ 2503.8 Specific content of the State application to conduct a grant program.**

Each application submitted by a State to conduct a grant program for the benefit of entities within a State shall include a description of the manner in which:

(a) The State will determine which local applicants receive funding;

(b) Service programs within the State will be coordinated;

(c) Economically and educationally disadvantaged youth, including youth with disabilities, youth with limited basic skills or learning disabilities, youth with limited English proficiency, homeless youth, youth with disabilities, and youth in foster care who are becoming too old for foster care, will be recruited;

(d) Projects that receive assistance will be evaluated concerning performance;

(e) The State will encourage cooperation among programs that receive assistance under this part and the appropriate State job training coordinating council established under the Job Training Partnership Act (29 U.S.C. 1501 et. seq.);

(f) Such State will develop a plan for the certification of the training skills acquired by each participant and the awarding of credit to each participant for competencies developed through training programs or work experience obtained under programs that receive assistance under this part;

(g) Prior to the placement of a participant under this part, the State will ensure that program agencies consult with each local labor organization representing employees in the area who are engaged in the same or similar

work that is proposed to be carried out by such program; and

(h) Programs will be evaluated for effectiveness in achieving program objectives.

**LOCAL APPLICATION PROCESS**

**§ 2503.9 Procedures governing applications to a State to operate a program.**

When the State receives an award from the Commission to conduct a grant program, the State will define the contents and procedures to be followed when local applicants apply to the State to operate a project through a grant from the State. In defining the contents of the application and the procedures to be followed, the State must assure that all applicable requirements contained in these regulations are being met, and shall minimize paperwork required of local applicants. The State is not required to issue a formal request for proposals, but should solicit applications from a broad-based group of public and private nonprofit eligible organizations.

**§ 2503.10 Procedures for submitting applications to the Commission.**

The Commission may consider applications from eligible local applicants located in a State that does not apply for a grant.

**§ 2503.11 Contents of a local application submitted directly to the Commission.**

In those situations where a State does not apply for a grant from the Commission, and a local applicant chooses to apply directly to the Commission, the contents of the application from a local applicant shall be the same as those specified in § 2503.7.

**§ 2503.12 Term of grant.**

(a) Grants to States and Indian Tribes shall be for a term of not more than three years.

(b) Grants made by the Commission directly to local applicants shall be for a term of not more than one year.